

13 (Amended). An article comprising a medium for storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

a2 when a first application requests video, initialize a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shut down a video stack.

Please cancel claim 16.

Please add the following new claims *et seq.*

26 (New). A method of accessing a video stream comprising:
when a first application requests video, initializing a video stream using a video server; and
if the first application crashes, maintaining access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shutting down a television capture card.

27 (New). The method of claim 26 including directing the server to release the video stack after a crash is detected.

a3 28 (New). A method for accessing video stream comprising:
in response to a request for video from a first application, initializing a video stream using a video server; and
if the first application crashes, maintaining access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and directing the server to release the video stack.

29 (New). The method of claim 28 including shutting down the video stack in response to the detection of a crash.

30 (New). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

in response to a request for video from a first application, initialize a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shut down a television capture card.

31 (New). The article of claim 30 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to detect when the first application crashes.

32 (New). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

in response to a request for video from a first application, initialize a video stream using a video server;

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server; and

operate a first window in the application for accessing the television server, and a second window in the server for accessing a video stack.

33 (New). The article of claim 32 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to shut down a video stack when a crash is detected.

34 (New). The article of claim 33 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to shut down a television capture card when a crash is detected.

35 (New). The article of claim 32 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to detect when the first application crashes.

REMARKS

The office action indicates that claims 9-12 and 21-25 are allowed and that claims 4, 5, 7, 16, 17, and 20 are objected to as depending from a claim that has not been allowed. Claim 4 has been placed in independent form as claim 1, claim 5 has been placed in independent form as new claim 26, claim 7 has been placed in independent form as new claim 28. Claim 16 has been